BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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FAYETTE COUNTY, GEORGIA

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MINUTES

August 25, 2020 5:00 p.m.

Welcome to the meeting of your Fayette County Board of Elections. Your participation is appreciated. All regularly scheduled Board meetings are open to the public and are generally held on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman to Call the Meeting to Order

Chairman Hicks called the August 25, 2020 Board of Elections Meeting to Order at 5:00 p.m.

Approval of the Agenda

Mr. Wright moved to approve the Agenda as provided. Chairman Hicks seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-0 with Mr. Lester being absent from the vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No one spoke during Public Comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Consideration of staff's request to approve the July 13, 2020 Board of Elections' Meeting Minutes.

Mr. Wright moved to approve the July 13, 2020 Board of Elections' Meeting Minutes. Chairman Hicks second the motion. The motion passed 2-0 with Mr. Lester being absent from the vote.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Mr. Wright moved to approve Consent Agenda Items 2 and 3. Chairman Hicks seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-0 with Mr. Lester absent from the vote.

- Approval of staff's recommendation to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Town of Brooks for the purpose of conducting the town's 2020 special municipal election and authorization for the Elections Director to attest said agreement.
- 3. Approval of staff's recommendation to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Town of Tyrone for the purpose of conducting the town's 2020 special municipal election and authorization for the Elections Director to attest said agreement.

OLD BUSINESS:

 Consideration of staff's request to rescind the motion made on July 13, 2020 to request the municipalities to use county precincts.

Mr. Wright moved to rescind the motion made on July 13, 2020 to request the municipalities to use county precincts. Chairman Hicks seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-0 with Mr. Lester absent from the vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion concerning the use and implementation of drop boxes in Fayette County during the November 3, 2020
General Election and subsequent runoff elections.

Mr. Lester joined the meeting at the beginning of New Business #5.

Director Jones gave an overview about the rules and concerns of obtaining and using ballot boxes, and he answered questions from the Board.

The Board allowed members in the audience to speak to this matter. All public speakers spoke in favor of obtaining the ballot boxes. The Board deliberated on the issue of ballot boxes.

Chairman Hicks moved to implement three ballot boxes, for staff to give a recommendation on where the boxes should be placed, for the boxes not to exceed \$2,000 a box, and that a grant is received for \$3,000.00. Discussion followed.

Chairman Hicks amended his motion to spend up to \$6,000 for ballot boxes, for staff to give a recommendation on where the boxes should be placed, for the boxes not to exceed \$2,000 a box, and that a grant is received for \$3,000.00. Mr. Lester seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-1 with Mr. Wright voting in opposition.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Director Jones provided reports on several items. The Board did not take action on these items.

<u>Cancel October 2020 Meeting:</u> Director Jones recommended cancelling the October 22, 2020 Board of Elections Meeting. Mr. Wright moved to cancel the October 2020 Board of Elections Meeting. Mr. Lester seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

ATTORNEY'S REPORTS:

There was no Attorney's Reports.

BOARD MEMBERS REPORTS:

<u>Voter Review Panel and Poll Watchers:</u> Mr. Wright asked about the need for Voter Review Panels and asked information on how many were needed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was no Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

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Mr. Lester moved to adjourn the August 25, 2020 Board of Elections Meetin The motion passed 3-0.	g Minutes. Mr. Wright seconded the motion.
The August 25, 2020 Board of Elections Meeting was adjourned at 6:16 p.m.	
Floyd L. Jones, Director	Darryl Hicks, Chairman